

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Nobuyuki NONAKA

Application No.: 10/697,237

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For: GAMING MACHINE

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Examiner: Robert E. Mosser

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**Mail Stop AF**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated December 1, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 8, 9, 11-13, 15, 16 and 18 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, 10, 14 and 17 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 8, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 16 are amended.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)